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Jessica. You have summed up the conversation succinctly. However, because of the sensitivity of the situation I want to discuss further with our environmental folks. Unfortunately, I have not been able to schedule a meeting until 2 weeks from now. How soon did you want to do the sampling? Garry

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Hi Gary,

Just wanted to follow up from our discussion today about the San Jacinto waste pit site. As I mentioned, EPA and other agencies are currently working to develop the sampling plan for a remedial investigation of this site. As part of this effort we must identify land owners within the site boundaries and coordinate with these owners to obtain permission to sample for our investigation. Stephen Tzhone is the project manager for EPA and will be the primary POC for this coordination. I have attached a map/aerial photo of the site which depicts the perimeter of the study area. If you have any problems with this map please feel free to contact David or Jeff (cc'd on this e-mail).

Based on our discussion, it sounds like the Port of Houston Authority owns all submerged lands within our site area. Please refer to the attached map and confirm. We would also appreciate your help in identifying the adjacent property owners (if you can share the info you have available).

As far as coordination of the sampling effort goes, it was my understanding that an informal (i.e. no legal agreements necessary) approach would be sufficient. EPA should contact POHA (via Gary McMahan) at least 1 week prior to commencement of sampling to provide notification of the effort.

Gary - thank you for your help with this, and please feel free to provide corrections/additions if I was incorrect in the summary of our discussion.

Jessica